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**Chapter 1**

**INTRODUCTION**

**1-1. Purpose**

This regulation prescribes local policy and procedures governing the possession and control of animals maintained on this installation and implements measures necessary to protect the health and safety of personnel, their dependents, and their animals residing on the installation. It applies to military personnel assigned or attached to units on Fort Campbell, residents, and visitors to this installation.

**\*This regulation supersedes CAM Regulation 40-7, 15 August 1996.**

## **1-2. References**

- a. AR 40-1 (Composition, Mission, and Functions of the Army Medical Department).
- b. AR 40-905 (Veterinary Health Services).
- c. Title 40, Section 291, U.S. Code.
- d. Compendium of Animal Rabies Control.
- e. CAM Regulation 210-2 (Government Family Housing Management).

## **1-3. Applicability**

All animals brought onto or maintained on the installation are included within the meaning of this directive. The privilege of maintaining a privately owned animal while residing on the Fort Campbell installation is contingent on the animal's continuing ability to live harmoniously within the military community. Violations of this regulation may result in the Garrison Commander withdrawing the privilege of maintaining a privately owned animal. The privilege may also be withdrawn when the animal's continued presence constitutes a threat to the health or safety of the community or if the animal is determined to be a nuisance. Violations of the following sections of this regulation by military personnel may subject the offender to disciplinary action under the provisions of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

- a. Paragraph 2-6a: Failure to properly control an animal.
- b. Paragraph 2-6b: Failure to properly care for an animal.
- c. Paragraph 3-3: Failure to register an animal.
- d. Paragraph 3-5: Training dogs to fight, hosting or arranging dogfights, and possession of dog-fighting paraphernalia.

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## **Chapter 2 GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **2-1. Installation Veterinarian**

The Installation Veterinarian, or designated representative, will--

- a. Provide complete veterinary medical care to Government-owned animals, including Military Working Dogs (MWDs), Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) horses, and unit mascots.
- b. Provide veterinary care to animals at the Stray Animal Impound Facility.
- c. Register privately owned dogs, cats, ferrets, and horses.
- d. Provide veterinary services to privately owned animals in accordance with AR 40-905, this regulation and Veterinary Command directives and subject to the availability of personnel. Medical care is limited to vaccinations, routine health care, issuance of health certificates, and minor ailments. Cases involving more extensive care and/or nonzoonotic diseases are referred to a civilian veterinary clinic. Veterinary care is authorized for pet owners possessing a valid military ID card and who are authorized routine DoD medical care.
- e. Perform surgery on Government-owned animals. Privately owned pets adopted from the Stray Animal Impound Facility are authorized spay and neuter surgery.
- f. Perform necessary medical care to animals in a life or death situation.

g. Inspect homes of pet owners' premises that request three or more pets per household. Provide recommendation to Garrison Commander on whether an exception to policy should be approved.

h. Evaluate reported cases of animal abuse or neglect.

i. Perform inspections of kennels, runs, stables, corrals, and other animal facilities on the installation.

j. Complete Animal Bite Report cases initiated by the hospital. Examine and monitor all animals placed on quarantine involved in a bite incident.

k. Provide examinations of privately owned animals for owners requesting authorization to become Family Community Care Providers.

l. Assist the Housing Office in initiating procedures for removal of an animal from the installation which poses a threat to the community or which was involved in a biting incident for a second time within a six-month period, or upon investigation of a serious bite. A "serious bite" is one where the injury requires surgical repair or a hospital admission. Nothing in this regulation limits the authority of the Garrison Commander to direct the removal of an animal from the installation that is deemed to pose a serious risk to the safety or welfare of the Fort Campbell military community.

m. Coordinate with the Installation Housing Office to track new occupants of government quarters that own animals to ensure that the animals are properly registered in a timely manner.

## **2-2. Director, Public Works Business Center**

The Director, Public Works Business Center, or designated representative, will--

a. Inform tenants of general policies regarding pet ownership on post upon assignment of quarters. A current copy of this regulation will be provided to all occupants of government quarters on the installation who own animals that are required to be registered. These owners will also be advised by the Housing Office at the time of quarters assignment of the benefits of procuring liability insurance to cover the costs related to the actions of their pets.

b. Respond to complaints of suspected animal abuse or neglect by contacting the Military Police to ensure formal documentation and investigation.

c. Notify the Military Police in cases of animal neglect, abuse, or complaints that an animal is a nuisance or threat to the health and safety of the community.

d. Notify the Installation Veterinarian whenever a new occupant of government quarters is the owner of an animal that must be registered on the installation.

e. Initiate letters of warning to pet owners for violations of this regulation, and when warranted, initiate procedures to have an animal removed from the installation.

f. Approve requests for fencing in accordance with CAM Regulation 210-2.

## **2-3. Director, Public Safety Business Center/Installation Provost Marshal**

The Director, Public Safety Business Center/Installation Provost Marshal, or designated representative, will--

a. Respond to reported animal bite incidents that occur on the installation.

b. Remove and control stray, domestic animals during and after normal duty hours.

c. Receive formal complaints of suspected animal abuse or neglect and ensure Family Housing has documentation of each substantiated complaint.

d. Perform initial investigation in situations of suspected animal abuse or neglect and contact the Installation Veterinarian for medical determination.

- e. Pursue any formal charges which may result if an owner is suspected of animal abuse or neglect based on the Installation Veterinarian's medical diagnosis.
- f. Assist in cases involving injured domestic animals. Notify the Installation Veterinarian when a stray dog or cat has been found injured.
- g. Coordinate with the Installation Veterinarian to euthanize injured wild animals when necessary to eliminate suffering.
- h. Remove and control wild animals that become pests on the installation (i.e., skunks, raccoons, opossums, deer, etc.).
- i. Ensure all MWDs receive proper housing, food, and care, with advice from the Installation Veterinarian.
- j. Maintain all MWD kennels in sanitary conditions approved by the Installation Veterinarian.
- k. Remove an animal in violation of this regulation from family quarters after consultation with the Installation Veterinarian.

#### **2-4. Director, Community Activities Business Center**

The Director, Community Activities Business Center, or designated representative, will--

- a. Remove horses that pose a health threat to other animals or persons.
- b. Authorize organized horseback night rides.
- c. Give permission to conduct trail rides, horse shows, or other group activities.
- d. Give approval to bring horses onto the installation.
- e. Provide and assign quarantine space for horses to be stabled on post,
- f. Notify the Installation Veterinarian for emergency veterinary care as deemed necessary by the Stables Manager (reasonable efforts will be made to contact owners prior to providing emergency care).
- g. Maintain a waiting entrance list, a seniority roster, and an improvement move roster on a current basis.
- h. Move any horse to a pasture or stall when the safety or health of that horse becomes endangered or threatened.
- i. Determine the maximum number of stalls authorized to each family.
- j. Determine the quantity and correct mixing of feed for all horses in coordination with the Installation Veterinarian.
- k. Feed all horses the standard diet prescribed twice a day unless otherwise directed by the Installation Veterinarian or requested in writing by the privately owned horse owner.
- l. Operate MWR dog boarding kennels.
- m. Maintain all stables and boarding kennels in sanitary conditions approved by the Installation Veterinarian.

#### **2-5. Garrison Commander**

The Garrison Commander, or designated representative, will--

- a. Establish and enforce guidelines for registration of privately owned animals residing on post.

b. Establish guidelines for the disposition of animals against which substantiated bite or repeated nuisance complaints have been made.

c. Approve all exception-to-policy letters.

d. In accordance with the procedures outlined in this regulation, order the removal from the installation of any animal that poses a threat to the community, is impounded three times within a 12-month period, was involved in a biting incident for a second time within a six-month period, or upon investigation of a serious bite. Removal of an animal from the installation may also be directed if the owner is cited three times in a 12-month period for failure to remove unsanitary wastes.

## **2-6. Animal Owners**

a. Owners are responsible for the actions of their pets and will ensure the following control measures are taken:

(1) All pets will be controlled at all times in such a manner as to prevent them from becoming a nuisance or menace to other persons, animals, or property. A nuisance is defined as an animal that causes annoyance to neighbors (prolonged barking, howling, bad odors, fighting with other animals, etc.) or damage to private or public property. The owner/sponsor of an animal kept or harbored on this installation is responsible for any and all damages to government or private property caused by his/her animal(s). All animals will be controlled to prevent them from biting or causing injury to people or animals.

(2) Animals will not be permitted to run "at large." While outside, the animal will be kept on a leash or confined within a fenced area that is maintained in such a condition that the animal cannot escape. Occupants of government quarters that possess an "outdoors" animal will have a fence, approved by the Housing Office, that covers an uninterrupted area from their quarters entrance (back or secondary) to a designated yard. With prior approval of the Housing Office, an occupant may maintain a detached fenced area for an "outdoors" animal, a short distance away from the quarters entrance (back or secondary), provided the animal is walked on a leash to and from the detached fenced area. A person walking a dog must be of equal or greater weight than the dog on the leash.

(a) Animals will not be secured to government property, trees or shrubbery or left unattended outside except in a yard with a fence that meets the requirements of this regulation. Animals will not be tied, staked, or tethered to any object outdoors as the only means of restraint outside of a fenced area.

(b) Animals will not be left unattended in an enclosed space, such as a vehicle, when the temperature is either so high or low or the ventilation is inadequate as to endanger the animal's life or health. The Military Police are authorized to take all reasonable and necessary action to remove any animal from a vehicle or other inadequate enclosure.

(c) Female animals in heat will be confined in a building or secure enclosure in such a manner that such female animal cannot come into contact with other animals except in planned breeding.

(3) While outside, the animal will be controlled to prevent it from creating unsanitary conditions on public roads, walks, recreation areas and the yards of other individuals. Premises, enclosures, or surrounding areas where an animal is kept will be maintained in a sanitary condition to prevent fouling of the air and insect problems. Waste and feces shall be removed daily from pet owner's yard.

(4) Common use areas, such as tennis courts, golf courses, swimming pool enclosures, playgrounds, athletic fields, and school yards, are off limits to pets at all times. Additionally, pets will be controlled so as to not interfere with official reviews, ceremonies, or parades.

b. Owners are responsible for the health of their pets.

(1) Owners will ensure their pets receive adequate shelter and nutrition. Adequate shelter is defined as access to protection from sun, rain, wind, and snow. Adequate nutrition is defined as ready access to clean, fresh water and at least one meal each day. Shelter must provide protection from the sun, rain, snow, wind and cold, and from any weather conditions that may occur. The shelter must be large enough to allow the animal to enter, stand,

turn around, and lie down in a natural manner. The length of the leash should be at least three times the length of the animal's body (as measured from the nose to the end of the tail (if the animal has a tail)). Outside housing for animals in family quarters will be portable and removed when the quarters are cleared. Doghouses and/or runs should be moved periodically to prevent damage to the surrounding area.

(2) Owners will ensure pets receive all immunizations as required in appendix A, as well as having their pets tested and treated for parasites and other diseases which, in the judgement of the Installation Veterinarian, constitute a health threat to persons or other animals in the community. All dogs and cats residing on post must be microchipped. The vaccinations and microchip may be received at the Fort Campbell Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) or at a civilian veterinary clinic. However, the owner must provide proof of vaccination and microchipping to the VTF if services are received off post.

c. All soldiers owning pets will ensure that appropriate arrangements are made for the care of their animal during any absence (leave, TDY, deployment, etc.). The soldier will give his/her leave information (name, rank, leave address, leave phone number, and dates of leave) and the pet-sitter's information (name, unit, and home and duty phone number) to the Housing Office and the Installation Veterinarian. The Installation Veterinarian, in coordination with the Military Police, has the authority to remove any animal from a set of quarters if there is a violation of this regulation.

d. The privilege of animal ownership carries with it the responsibility for proper care and disposition of an animal when the owner departs the installation on a temporary or permanent basis. Personnel permanently departing the installation will clear the VTF, at which time they will be provided their pet's health records. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE WILL UNWANTED PETS BE TURNED LOOSE ON THE INSTALLATION.** Owners are required to take their pets with them when they depart or to place their pets in a new home prior to departure.

(1) On Post. Owners who reside on the installation must find their pet a new home through advertising on bulletin boards, newspapers, word-of-mouth, etc. If unsuccessful in finding the animal a new home, as a last resort, the animal may be turned in to the Stray Animal Impound and Rabies Quarantine Facility located on post. However, in turning the animal over to the facility, the owner is subject to ensuring the animal meets all necessary requirements for adoption. All vaccinations must be current, and the appropriate forms must be signed. Animals will only be held for the specified number of days the owner has requested. All fees and requirements must be paid prior to the owner departing the facility.

(2) Off Post. All requirements as specified above for pet owners who reside on the installation apply to personnel who reside off the installation with the exception that no animals will be accepted at the Stray Animal Impound and Rabies Quarantine Facility from owners who reside off post. If the owners are unsuccessful in finding the animal a new home, the pet will be turned over to an off-post animal shelter.

e. In the event of a disease outbreak, the Installation Veterinarian in accordance with AR 40-905 and/or requirements of Federal or state health officials may impose quarantine procedures.

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## **Chapter 3**

### **POLICIES CONCERNING ANIMALS**

#### **3-1. Government Owned Animals**

a. In accordance with AR 40-905, complete veterinary medical and surgical service is authorized for all Government- owned animals as follows:

(1) Military Working Dogs.

(2) Nonappropriated fund (NAF) animals on a space-available basis. Veterinary medical and surgical services will be paid for by the NAF entity that owns the animals and will not include grooming, food, and pet accessories.

b. Personnel living in barracks or other troop unit facilities are not allowed to keep any form of animal life in the vicinity of these quarters without permission of the unit commander.

### **3-2. Privately Owned Animals**

a. Ownership and Maintenance. Ownership and maintenance of dogs, cats, or ferrets in family quarters will be as follows:

(1) Maintenance of dogs, cats, or ferrets in family quarters is limited to two registered animals (in total). Waivers to this limit may be granted only through an exception-to-policy letter based on an inspection by the Installation Veterinarian with approval by the Garrison Commander. The request must be submitted through the Installation Veterinarian and approved by the Garrison Commander prior to the animal being brought onto the installation.

(2) Only one litter of puppies or kittens will be allowed per quarters per year, and the litter must be adopted out prior to 90 days of age.

b. Small Caged Pets. Maintenance of small caged animals (except ferrets) in family quarters is limited to three small caged animals in total. Waivers to this limit may be granted only through an exception-to-policy letter based on an inspection by the installation Veterinarian with approval by the Garrison Commander. The request must be submitted through the Installation Veterinarian and approved by the Garrison Commander prior to the animal being brought onto the installation. Examples include rodents (guinea pig, mouse, gerbil), rabbits, and caged birds. If a pet owner is unsure if the pet is allowable, he/she will contact the VTF for advice.

c. Horses. Ownership of horses is permitted; the number and type as specified by the Community Recreation Division, Community Activities Business Center. Horses will be maintained and ridden only in the stable areas and on established riding trails; under no circumstances will a horse be brought into housing areas.

d. Livestock. No livestock will be maintained on post without prior approval by the Installation Veterinarian. Livestock (domestic animals normally raised as food animals), to include potbellied pigs, are NOT permitted in housing areas.

e. Exotic Pets. Exotic animals normally requiring zoo-type confinement are not authorized for private ownership. Examples include reptiles, wolf-hybrids, and any wildlife. Unauthorized animals are not limited to these examples.

f. Ferrets (*Mustela putorius furo*). Ferrets (*Mustela putorius furo*) may be kept as pets. Owners must:

(1) Show responsible ownership, to include knowledge pertaining to ferret husbandry (care, nutrition, housing, and species habits).

(2) Not leave ferrets unattended with individuals (infants or bed ridden) incapable of removing himself/herself from the ferret.

(3) Provide proper veterinary care, to include preventative medicine and, when needed, medical or surgical care. Ferrets must be vaccinated in accordance with appendix A.

(4) Not breed ferrets. All ferrets should be surgically neutered or spayed. Ferrets should have the scent glands removed.

g. Pets in Public Buildings. Pets are not permitted in public buildings or guest houses. Assistance animals (seeing eye dogs, dogs for the hearing impaired, etc.) are permitted in public buildings and areas so long as they are on a leash or harness and in the company of their owner (40 U.S.C. Sec 291). MWDs are permitted in public buildings and areas when on official business and accompanied by their handlers. A list of commercial boarding facilities is available to guests using transient billets or guest house facilities.

h. Certified Assistance Animals. Certified assistance animals owned by a member in the Army Exceptional Family Program are authorized the same medical and surgical care as provided for Government-owned animals. In

accordance with AR 40-905, “these animals will be provided such care only as time and resources permit on a reimbursable basis.”

i. Commercial Breeding. The breeding or raising of animals on this installation for commercial (profit making) purposes is expressly prohibited. Commercial breeding is defined as raising more than one litter per family housing unit per year. Veterinary care will be refused for any profit-making litters.

### **3-3. Registration of Animals**

a. Owners of all dogs, cats, ferrets, and horses maintained on post will register their animals with the Installation Veterinarian within three duty days after arrival. If the animal's immunization or microchip status does not meet post requirements, an appointment will be made with the VTF to complete the immunizations as a part of the registration. Veterinary personnel will provide a new rabies tag to the owner for placement on the animal's collar, and the tag must be worn by the animal any time the animal is outside the owner's quarters. All dogs, cats, ferrets, and horses maintained on the installation will be routinely immunized against rabies. Immunization will be according to the most recent edition of Compendium of Animal Rabies Control prepared by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV), Inc. In addition, compliance with the rabies vaccination laws and regulations of the States (Kentucky and Tennessee) is mandatory.

b. Pets will receive appropriate regular immunizations (see appendix A) to continuously validate their registration. If vaccinations are performed by off-post-civilian veterinarians, documented proof from the animal's medical record and/or computer receipts from a veterinary clinic must be presented to the VTF to continuously comply with registration. Other documents will not be accepted as proof of vaccination. Vaccinations from other sources, such as “coops” or feed stores, will not be accepted as an approved source.

c. Small caged animals (listed in paragraph 3-2b) and fish do not require immunization.

d. Newly arrived horses on the installation will be subject to a 10-day quarantine at the Morale Support Quarantine paddocks. The owner of the newly arriving horse must notify the VTF on the day the animal arrives on the installation and place the horse in a quarantine paddock. If the animal's arrival falls on a holiday or a weekend, the owner must notify the VTF on the next duty day. Day one of the quarantine begins on the day the VTF is notified and not on the day the owner placed the animal in the quarantine paddock. The quarantine and registration of a newly arrived horse will be accomplished through the Stable Manager. The owner will provide a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian and issued within the last 30 days. The health certificate must indicate that the horse has been tested for equine infectious anemia (EIA) and found negative within the last 90 days. Immunization requirements for horses maintained on post will be in accordance with appendix A and the established herd health program. Should a stabled horse leave the Fort Campbell Stables for greater than 30 days for any reason, another 10-day quarantine will be initiated upon its return with no exceptions.

e. No livestock are to be maintained within the confines of the Fort Campbell reservation without prior approval from the Installation Veterinarian prior to entry onto the installation. Livestock originating from states other than Tennessee or Kentucky must be accompanied by a health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian, issued not more than 30 days prior to expected entry onto post, stating the animal is free of signs of communicable disease. The animals must meet all importation requirements for those species state animal health laws. All livestock maintained on the installation will be permanently identified by affixing a metal or plastic tag to the ear of each animal (a legible tattoo registration number is also acceptable). All livestock maintained on the installation are subject to the animal health regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture, as well as the states of Tennessee and Kentucky, and the owner will ensure that each animal has been tested in accordance with these requirements.

f. Transient animals will be controlled as follows:

(1) Personnel residing on post are responsible for pets belonging to guests and will ensure the pets do not pose a threat to the health or safety of the community.

(a) If a transient animal (dog, cat, or ferret) will remain on the installation for three days or longer, it must be registered in accordance with this regulation.



(b) If a transient animal (dog, cat, or ferret) will cause a resident to exceed the authorized limit of two registered animals on the installation, a request for an exception to policy will be submitted through the Installation Veterinarian and approved by the Garrison Commander prior to the animal being brought onto the installation.

(2) Authorized sponsors of pet shows, rodeos, horse shows, field trial horses, or other activities that bring transient animals onto the installation will notify the Installation Veterinarian at least 30 days prior to the event and provide an estimate of the number and type of animals that will be participating. All dog and cat owners must be able to provide proof of current rabies vaccinations. Dog and cat owners without such proof will present their pet to the VTF for proper immunization. All equine will be accompanied by certification that the animal has been tested for and found negative for EIA not more than 90 days prior to arrival. All animals originating outside the states of Tennessee and Kentucky will be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian stating the animal meets all importation requirements of these states. The Installation Veterinarian has the authority to deny or cause removal of any animal (dog, cat, horse, mascot, etc.) determined to represent a reasonable threat to the health or safety of persons or other animals on the installation.

g. Change of ownership procedures are as follows:

(1) In the event an animal registered on the installation is sold or given away, the original owner is responsible for notifying the Installation Veterinarian of the change of ownership within three days and is responsible for re-registration of the animal within three days at the VTF.

(2) If the new owner wishes to receive medical information on the pet from the original owner, the original owner must submit a letter releasing the said information to the new owner.

### **3-4. Disposition of Dead Animals**

a. Owners are responsible for the disposal of dead pets. Dead animals should be disposed of at the Convenience Center located at Airborne Street and Stillwell Road.

b. Horse owners are responsible for the removal and disposal of their deceased animals in accordance with local and state regulations.

c. Dead animals found at large on the installation (including roads) will be sanitarily disposed of by the major unit command having police responsibility for that area.

d. Post-mortem examinations on privately owned animals will only be performed on animals involved in abuse and/or neglect cases.

e. The owner or Military Police will deliver any animal, which dies after biting and/or scratching a person, immediately to the VTF for appropriate laboratory examination and rabies evaluation.

### **3-5. Prohibition of Dog Fighting**

a. Training dogs on the installation to fight is prohibited.

b. Hosting or arranging dogfights on the installation is prohibited.

c. The ownership or possession on the installation of any equipment designed or used to train dogs to fight or hone their aggressive tendencies is expressly prohibited.

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## **Chapter 4 ACTIONS CONCERNING VIOLATIONS OF THIS REGULATION**

### **4-1. Loose or Stray Animals**

a. The Military Police will impound stray animals found on the installation at the Stray Animal Impound Facility. Once an animal has been seized, it cannot be released to its owner until the requirements specified in paragraph 4-1c below have been met.

b. The Stray Animal Impound Facility will maintain the impounded animal and make reasonable efforts to identify its owner. If the owner cannot be identified and the animal is not claimed within three duty days, it may be euthanized or adopted at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian. Owners of missing pets should call the Stray Animal Impound Facility to ascertain whether the pet has been seized.

c. The owner of an impounded animal may obtain its release by reporting to the Stray Animal Impound Facility during its duty hours. The animal will be released when its registration, immunizations, and microchip are up-to-date, release form is completed, and the owner pays impoundment charges (to include treatment charges, if applicable). If the animal's registration, vaccinations, and/or microchip are not up-to-date, procedures to effect these requirements will be initiated at either the Stray Animal Impound Facility or the VTF. Payment of all charges and signing of the release form will be accomplished by the owner prior to any animal leaving the Stray Animal Impound Facility.

d. If the owner of an impounded animal fails to claim a pet within three days of receiving notification of its impoundment, the owner will be required to pay impoundment and housing charges and any fees incurred in making the animal ready for adoption by a new home (i.e., vaccinations).

e. Should an animal be seized and impounded a second time within a twelve-month period, in addition to the above actions, a letter of warning will be sent through command channels to the animal's owner by the Housing Office with input from the Installation Veterinarian.

f. If an animal is impounded for a third time within a 12-month period, the Garrison Commander will direct the owner, in writing, to remove the animal from the installation. The Housing Office, with input from the Installation Veterinarian, will initiate the recommendation and justification for removal. If the owner desires to remove the animal without waiting for written notification, he/she may do so by making a written statement on the release form certifying its removal. The owner may present extenuating circumstances or justification for a waiver, in writing, through the Housing Office, to the Garrison Commander. Waivers, if granted, will be maintained in the animal's health record and the resident's housing file.

g. When a stray animal is presented injured or seriously ill and the owners cannot be immediately identified, the Installation Veterinarian will determine what care is needed to alleviate pain or undue suffering.

#### **4-2. Incidents Involving Animal Bites/Scratches**

a. All animal bite/scratch cases will be handled in accordance with Tennessee Valley District Veterinary Command policies for animal bite reports, AR 40-905, and the latest edition of the Compendium of Animal Rabies Control published by the NASPHV. If a person is bitten by a healthy pet dog, cat or ferret, and is treated at a military medical facility, the pet owner MUST contact the VTF within 24 hours or on the next duty day if the bite occurs on a non-duty day. Military Police will seize and impound any animal involved in a bite/scratch incident on Fort Campbell. A veterinarian will evaluate the animal and, depending on the animal's risk to the safety and welfare of the Fort Campbell community and rabies vaccination status, it will be quarantined in an authorized kennel facility or at home. If quarantined at home, the owner must follow strict guidelines during the quarantine period as stated by the veterinarian. If any signs of illness develop, the owner must bring the animal immediately to the VTF. If the signs suggestive of rabies develop, the animal is euthanized and sent for rabies evaluation. After the 10-day quarantine, the animal undergoes a second physical exam by the veterinarian, and, if the pet has not shown signs of illness, it is released from quarantine. Rabies vaccine will not be given during this time of observation.

(1) On Post. When military personnel whose pet is involved in a biting incident reside on post, the Installation Veterinarian will manage the quarantine.

(2) Off Post. When military personnel whose pet is involved in a biting incident reside off post, the county authorities with involvement of the Installation Veterinarian will manage the quarantine.

(3) Other Personnel. For all other personnel (civilian and DOD personnel) whose pet is involved in a biting incident, if the victim seeks medical attention at a military hospital, the Health Department of the county in which the incident occurred will manage the quarantine. For retired personnel, depending on their proximity to Fort Campbell, the Installation Veterinarian or the County Health Department in which the incident occurred will manage the quarantine.

b. Small house-bound/caged animals, except ferrets, need not be impounded when involved in a biting incident. However, the owner may be directed to present the animal at the VTF for examination.

c. When a wild animal, or stray dog, cat or ferret is involved in a biting incident, the animal may be euthanized immediately and sent for rabies examination at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian. The management of such cases will be in accordance with the most current version of the Compendium of Animal Rabies Control.

(1) A person bitten by a wild animal, or stray dog, cat or ferret should immediately seek medical treatment at the Emergency Room and be evaluated for the need for rabies treatment.

(2) Unvaccinated dogs and cats exposed to a potentially rabid animal (wild, carnivorous animal, including bats, which are not available for testing) will be euthanized immediately. If the owner is unwilling to have the pet euthanized, the animal will be placed in strict quarantine for six months at the owner's expense and vaccinated one month prior to release. Dogs and cats current on rabies vaccination that are exposed to a potentially rabid animal, as mentioned above, will be re-vaccinated immediately, kept under the owner's control, and observed for 45 days for development of signs of rabies. Dogs and cats with expired vaccinations are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

(3) Horses exposed to a rabid animal and currently vaccinated against rabies should be re-vaccinated immediately and observed for 45 days. Unvaccinated horses should be euthanized immediately. Horse owners unwilling to do this will keep the horse under close observation for six months.

d. When an animal is involved in a biting incident, a letter of warning will be sent through command channels to the animal's owner by the Housing Office with input from the Installation Veterinarian. Any dog involved in a non-serious biting incident will also be required to wear a muzzle when in a public space. When an animal is involved in a biting incident for a second time within a six-month period or, upon investigation of a serious bite (as defined in paragraph 2-11 above), it is determined that an animal is particularly vicious or attacks in an unprovoked manner, the owner may be directed in writing, via command channels, by the Garrison Commander, to remove the animal from the installation. The Installation Veterinarian, in coordination with the Housing Office, will initiate the recommendation and justification for removal. If the owner desires to remove the animal without waiting for written notification, he/she may do so by making a written statement on the release form certifying its removal. The owner may present extenuating circumstances or justification for a waiver in writing through the Installation Veterinarian and Housing Office to the Garrison Commander. Waivers, if granted, will be maintained in the animal's health record and in the resident's housing file.

#### **4-3. Animals Which are a Nuisance, Menace, Abused, or Neglected**

a. Individuals with complaints of an animal that is a nuisance should first contact the animal's owner and attempt to resolve the issue. If the animal continues to be a nuisance, the Overwatch NCO in the Housing Office should be notified to obtain chain-of-command involvement. If the problem is not resolved, the Housing Office will make a recommendation to the Garrison Commander as to the disposition of the animal. The Housing Office may request assistance from the Preventive Medicine Service when unsanitary or community health conditions are involved.

b. Complaints of animal abuse or neglect will be directed to the Installation Provost Marshal Office who will then contact the Installation Veterinarian for professional appraisal of the situation. The Installation Veterinarian, in such cases, will provide an evaluation of the animal's condition, possible or probable causes, and recommendations to correct the situation to the Installation Provost Marshal Office. In substantiated cases, the Housing Office will recommend appropriate follow-up action to the Garrison Commander.

c. When warranted, the Housing Office will send a letter of warning through command channels to the owner of the animal involved in a nuisance or abuse/neglect incident. If a second substantiated complaint involving the

same animal is received; the Garrison Commander will direct the owner in writing, via command channels, to remove the animal from the installation. The Housing Office will initiate recommendation and justification for removal. The owner may present extenuating circumstances or justification for a waiver through the Housing Office to the Garrison Commander. Waivers, if granted, will be maintained in the animal's health record and the resident's housing file.

#### **4-4. Animals That Have Not Been Registered, Microchipped, or Vaccinated**

a. Individuals failing to register, immunize, or microchip their animals will receive a letter from the Installation Veterinarian.

b. If, after receiving a letter, an individual fails to come into compliance with this regulation, the Installation Veterinarian will notify the Housing Office. In appropriate cases, the Garrison Commander may direct removal of the pet from the installation.

#### **4-5. Animals Involved in Commercial Breeding**

a. If a cat or dog has more than one litter in a twelve-month period, the owner will be sent a warning letter.

b. If a cat or dog has three litters within twenty-four months, the owner may be directed by the Garrison Commander to remove his/her animal from the installation.

#### **4-6. Failure to Remove Unsanitary Wastes**

a. The Housing Office will send a warning letter to an owner if he or she is cited two times in twelve months for failure to remove unsanitary wastes.

b. If an owner is cited three times in twelve months for failure to remove his or her animal's unsanitary wastes, he or she may be directed by the Garrison Commander to remove the animal from the installation.

#### **4-7. Non-Compliance With Directions to Remove Animals From Post**

If an owner fails to remove an animal from post after being directed to do so, the Garrison Commander may direct eviction from family quarters.

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## **Appendix A**

### **IMMUNIZATION AND TEST REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATELY OWNED ANIMALS MAINTAINED ON FORT CAMPBELL**

#### **1. DOGS**

a. Mandatory for DOD Personnel

(1) Distemper/Parvovirus combination.

(2) Rabies.

b. Recommended.

(1) Heartworm test annually.

(2) Heartworm prevention year-round.

(3) Internal parasites. De-worming monthly for puppies; annual testing for adult dogs.

c. Recommended Schedule.

(1) Distemper/ Parvovirus combination.

(a) Initial immunization. Started on an immunization series at six-eight weeks of age and followed through in accordance with standard vaccination practice.

(b) Reimmunization. Annually.

(2) Rabies.

(a) First immunization. Three to four months of age.

(b) Second immunization. One year of age.

(c) Reimmunization. Annually.

## **2. CATS**

a. Mandatory for DOD Personnel.

(1) Feline distemper combination.

(2) Rabies.

(3) Feline leukemia virus.

b. Recommended.

(1) Heartworm prevention year-round.

(2) Internal parasites. Deworming monthly for kittens; annual testing for adult cats with deworming as necessary.

c. Recommended Schedule.

(1) Feline distemper combination.

(a) Initial immunization. Started on an immunization series at six-nine weeks of age and followed through in accordance with standard vaccination practice.

(b) Reimmunization. Annually.

(2) Rabies.

(a) First immunization. Three to four months of age.

(b) Second immunization. One year of age.

(c) Reimmunization. Annually.

(3) Feline leukemia virus (may be waived by Installation Veterinarian in appropriate cases).

(a) Initial immunization. Nine weeks of age.

(b) Second immunization. Four weeks from date of initial immunization.

(c) Reimmunization. Annually.

## **3. FERRETS**

- a. Mandatory for DOD Personnel.
  - (1) Canine Distemper/Parvovirus combination.
  - (2) Rabies.
- b. Recommended schedule. As for puppies/dogs.

#### 4. HORSES

a. Internal Parasite Control. Horses will be treated for intestinal parasites in accordance with the stable manager's current policy and the recommendations of the Installation Veterinarian. Owners of privately owned horses may purchase de-worming paste from the Stables Manager prior to the scheduled day of treatment or they may have the treatment performed by a civilian veterinarian, provided the medication is of the same family of anthelmintic used to treat military horses.

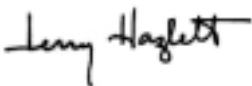
- b. Mandatory Immunizations. Mandatory immunizations will be administered as indicated in table A-1 below:

Table A-1. MANDATORY IMMUNIZATIONS	
February	Eastern and Western Encephalitis Tetanus Influenza Rhinopneumonitis Strangles Rabies
August	Eastern and Western Encephalitis Tetanus Influenza Rhinopneumonitis Strangles

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